PATENT

Docket No.: HIR-001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Shoji ITO et al

Confirmation No. 4306

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/533,814

Group Art Unit: 1713

Filed: June 3, 2005

Examiner: Peter D. MULCAHY

For: FIRE RETARDANT VINYL CHLORIDE-BASED RESIN COMPOSITION AND MOLDED ARTICLE THEREOF

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of April 17, 2008, the applicant elects Group I, claims 1-9, drawn to a composition comprising a zinc or molybdenum compound and a zeolite or hydroxide. In addition, the applicant elects species of anti-smoke agent. Please examine the application.

If any further response is required, please contact the undersigned agent.

Respectfully submitted,

KANESAKA BERNER & PARTNERS

Manabu Kanesaka

Registration No. 31,467

1700 Diagonal Road, Suite 310 Alexandria, Virginia 22314 (703) 519-9785

Facsimile: (703) 519-7769

Date: May 12, 2008

MAN/ yid